

Mark Twain National Forest

Missouri

Audubon Trail



Eastern Region, USDA Forest Service

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Highlights

This is a 12 mile circular loop trail. The trail was established by the BSA (Boy Scouts of America) as a memorial pilgrimage hike through an area that the great naturalist and artist John J. Audubon visited on his wide ranging bird collecting trips, while living in Ste. Genevieve, MO.

Trail

The trail has two separate 6-mile loops, one north and one south of Forest Road 2199 (becomes Bidwell Creek Rd). The trail route is marked with 2" x 6" white paint blazes. The terrain is sometimes steep with vertical relief of up to 300 feet. Much of the route is along perennial creeks, and creek crossings are not bridged. There are several open glades or meadows along the trail. The primary trailhead is at the Bidwell Creek Ford on FR 2199 (becomes Bidwell Creek Rd). The trail is open to hiking, mountain bike and equestrian use.

Occasional steep rocky hills and sharp curves make mountain biking challenging, and sections of the trail are not suitable for beginners.

Other Activities

Backpacking, bird watching, and primitive camping can be enjoyed.

For More Information

Potosi/Fredericktown Ranger District

10019 Hwy 8 West, Potosi, MO 63664

Phone: (573) 438-5427 Fax: (573) 438-2633

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 am-4:30 pm

Directions: From Fredericktown, MO, 9 miles north on Hwy 00, 5 miles east on Hwy T, 4.6 miles north on Forest Road 2199 (becomes Bidwell Creek Rd) to the Bidwell Creek Ford.

Difficulty Level: Moderate to more difficult

Length: 12 miles

Best Seasons: Fall, winter, spring

Leave No Trace: Pack out what you pack in

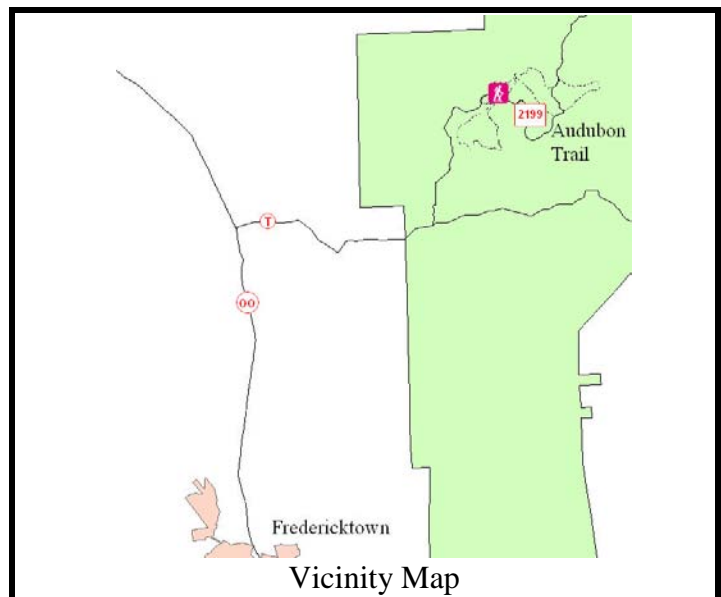
Restrictions: No motorized use.

Safety: During temperate months, be prepared for biting insects, poison ivy and high temperatures. Be advised of hunting seasons. Avoid using the trail during excessively wet periods.

Ste. Genevieve County Sheriff 573-883-5820

Ste. Genevieve County Hospital 573-883-2751

Surface Type: Unsurfaced, native materials. Trail tread is often rough and of variable width.



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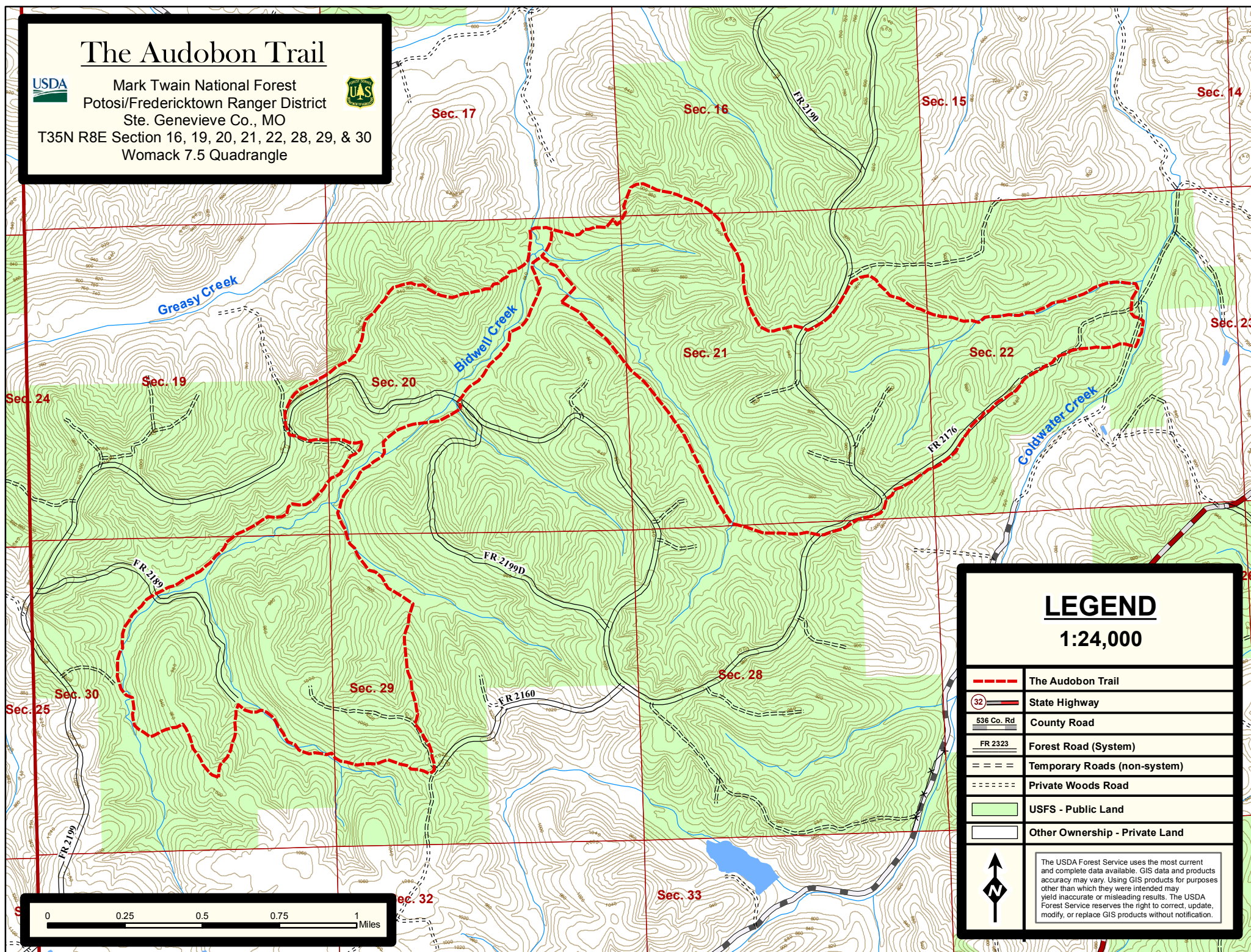
<http://www.fs.usda.gov/mtnf/>



The Audobon Trail



Mark Twain National Forest
Potosi/Fredericktown Ranger District
Ste. Genevieve Co., MO
T35N R8E Section 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 28, 29, & 30
Womack 7.5 Quadrangle



LEGEND

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	The Audobon Trail
	State Highway
	County Road
	Forest Road (System)
	Temporary Roads (non-system)
	Private Woods Road
	USFS - Public Land
	Other Ownership - Private Land



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